

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTO. 2Y

As the below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled, **NON-THROMBOGENIC STENT JACKET**, for which a specification was submitted to the United States Patent and Trademark Office for filing on September 17, 1998, and assigned application Serial No. 09/156,034.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification, including the claims, as amended by or any amendment(s) referred to above.

This application in part discloses and claims subject matter disclosed in my earlier filed pending application Serial Nos. 08/935,784, filed September 23, 1997, 09/005,972, filed January 12, 1998, 09/035,114, filed March 4, 1998, and 09/053,200, filed April 1, 1998.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a).

I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code §119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate listed below and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed: NONE

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, §120 of any United States application(s) listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, §112, we acknowledge the duty to disclose material information as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56(a) which occurred between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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I hereby declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under §1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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